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## **COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PASSES REDISTRICTING PLANS**

### ***SUPERVISOR BREWER SUPPORTS ELIMINATING SPECIAL INTEREST DIVIDING LINES***

(Phoenix-) The Maricopa County Elections Department today submitted the final map for approval to the Board of Supervisors for the Board's new district lines, as well as boundaries for the Community College Districts, and Justice of the Peace Precincts Maryvale, Tolleson, South Phoenix and East Phoenix 1. The Board of Supervisors approved the final redistricting map four to one.

"I am extremely pleased with my new district lines," said Supervisor Jan Brewer, who represents District 4. "I have always favored clean and straight electoral lines that are easy to understand and I believe our elections department has done just that."

District 4 includes much of the Northwest Valley including the Sun Cities, Peoria, Glendale, Surprise, Buckeye and parts of Phoenix. "I strongly supported using I-17 and Glendale Avenue as basic district lines in the urban portions of my district," said Supervisor Brewer. "I believe the new boundaries are unbiased, unpartisan and considerably easier to understand."

Public hearings began in early November 1999 in all of the five supervisory districts. It took 36 map variations to arrive at this point. The new maps will be sent to the United States Department of Justice this evening. Elections Director Karen Osborne said that Justice has 60 days to pre-clear the boundaries and she is in hopes that approval will be by the first of March 2000. This redistricting has nothing to do with precinct line changes - which cannot take place until after the US Census.

